

Southern Regional News



Ed as Lord Douglas

Roar of the greasepaint attracts budding actor

Ed Anderson had never acted in his life, but he was recently hit by the show biz bug.

Encouraged by his friends, the advertising manager for K mart 4415, Daytona Beach, FL, tried out for and was accepted as a member of the Daytona Playhouse cast for their production of "Mary, Queen of Scots."

After weeks of night practices, working on scenery and letting his beard grow, Ed finally made his stage debut as Lord Douglas, a 17th century Scottish nobleman.

The experience was so rewarding he plans to audition for another play next fall.

Achievers get saluted at these K marts

Talk at K mart 4234 in Spartanburg, SC has been revolving around Mickey Linburg, appliances, who won K mart's South Carolina Amateur Golf Match with a score of 72 for 18 holes. Mickey, an avid golfer, has been playing for almost 15 years. Five days he spends at work, one day at home, and one day is completely reserved for his hobby.

Ann Hopkins, Ed Billingham, Marilyn Bodiford and Duane Williamson signed up for a Sunday night bowling team just for the fun of it, and ended up being the first place team. They all work for K mart 9100, Lake City, FL.

Manager Don Nadeau, K mart 4356, Largo, FL, had the honor of presenting retirement gifts to staffers John Milner, Clara Belle Barnes and Bertha Jensen at a farewell luncheon given in their honor last month.

Staffers concern themselves with history and good health

In the spirit of the 1800's, K mart 9100 of Eufaula, AL decked out in their antebellum finest to help celebrate the 12th annual Historical Heritage Tour. The town has been ablaze with spring blossoms around the mansions. K mart held a fashion show to coincide with the yearly event, demonstrating ensembles modeled by employees and their families.

K mart 4300, Southaven, MS has a state champion. Shelby Knight, who has been with the store almost two years, won the Gold Medal of the United States Skill Olympics for his work in radio and television repair.

He will compete in the national contest in Cincinnati June 20-24.

To help support the March of Dimes, the police department of Athens, TN, agreed to jail a person of one's choice for a \$10 contribution. "Jail and Bail Day" drew a lot of support from K mart 9062, as several employees obligingly got handcuffed and carted to the city jail for the good cause.

In Biloxi, MS, K mart 7052's staffers were also donating their time to a productive learning experience. The American Red Cross awarded certificates of achievement to seven employees for their completion of the Standard First Aid Course and CPR (cardio-pulmonary-resuscitation).

The course was taught in the store

lounge two evenings each week. Employee response was excellent and another course has been planned for this fall. Instructor Augustus Greece demonstrated a lot of patience and dedication in his efforts to train people to handle emergencies.

Larry Lloyd and Camera Manager Jerry Love made a sound movie of customers and employees to demonstrate to K mart 3003 shoppers how projectors work. The North Augusta, SC store sold three cameras and four sound projectors in two weeks as a direct result of the presentations.

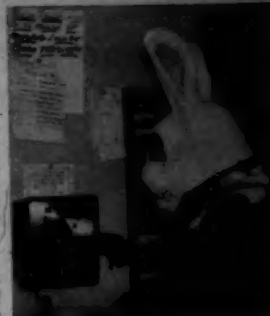
On Sunday, May 1, approximately 100 area K mart personnel and members of their families teed off in the semi-annual golf tournament at Glenbrook Country Club in Pasadena, TX. Besides golf, Store 4396 participated in contests as well as a tasty barbecue provided for guests. George Blystone, camera manager, carded a 97 to take the first place trophy in the first flight category. Johnny Ferguson got a third place trophy.

K mart 3300, Knoxville, TN, announces that their part-time DECA staffer, David Manes, distinguished himself in two separate categories for organizational honors.

David, a student at Doyle High School, won first place in department store merchandising at the district level, and second place at the state level.



Ten-year-old Pam Bryant is already well on her way to becoming a professional majorette. The talented daughter of John Bryant, stockman for K mart 7000 in Marysville, TN, won the Little Miss Majorette of Tennessee title at a district competition. A student of Coral Flynn, Pam has won many other state awards. She will advance to a national competition in August in Ashville, NC.



This new employee was spotted checking in at K mart 9061, Statesboro, GA during their Easter cake promotions.

Cager has future with USC-Aiken

When Mrs. Harold Seiple sends her son Dennis off to college next fall, she'll watch him start an important basketball career.

Dennis, 6'7" and a basketball star at Lower Richland High School in Columbia, SC for the past two years, just signed to play ball for the University of South Carolina-Aiken Pacers. His new coach, Lew Perkins, is looking forward to the added energy and depth in the center position that Dennis can bring his team.

The newest Pacer has pitched for his high school baseball team, and is a down-to-earth person who Coach Perkins feels sure will work hard.

"In a year or so with experience under his belt, he's going to improve so much more," his high school coach was quoted saying. "His main thing is he wants to play and he wants to learn." Coach Geithner said Dennis had been his most improved player.

Mrs. Seiple works for K mart 4043 in Columbia.

4296 bids adieu to fine employee

After eight years of service with K mart 4296, Hollywood, FL, John Shaugness, hardware manager, was taking his retirement from the company. He was recognized at a breakfast and presented with a smart digital watch. But the highest compliment came by way of Gertrude Brown's poem, written in his honor, which said, "Always ready with a smile, with a kind and helping hand, the nicest type of person, John, our hardware man. If we were to judge employees by their willingness to do, we would give the highest rating to a worker such as you. So as you leave us for retirement, to start life some place new, may health and joy and all God's gifts go right along with you."